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NWCDN

The National Workers' Compensation Defense Network

A background image of the Philadelphia skyline, featuring prominent skyscrapers like the Comcast Center and the Liberty Bell Center, with a view of the city from across the water.

**2009 Two-Day
Fall Conference
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

**Wednesday, October 14, 2009
National Constitution Center**

**Thursday, October 15, 2009
Hyatt Regency Philadelphia at
Penns Landing**

COCKTAIL RECEPTION

October 14, 2009

The cocktail reception on October 14, 2009 will be held at the National Constitution Center, 525 Arch Street, Independence Mall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. There is no charge for this event. Please feel free to join us. You will have access to the DeVos Hall's American Experience featuring exhibits showing the importance the Constitution has played throughout history, voting for your favorite Presidents of the past, taking the seat of a Supreme Court Justice, taking the Presidential Oath of Office, and honoring service people who have fought for and defended our Constitution. You'll also have the ability to take an active role as a citizen by e-mailing elected officials and watching constitutional issues unfold.

SEMINAR LOCATION

October 15, 2009

The all-day seminar will be held at the Hyatt Regency Philadelphia at Penns Landing, 201 South Columbus Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19106. There is no charge for this event.

SEMINAR OVERVIEW

8:30 to 8:45 a.m.: Introduction and Remarks from National Workers' Compensation Defense Network Chair and Welcome from Host Firm Representative

William L. S. Ross, Calfee, Halter & Griswold, LLP
Lora Northen, Esq., Capehart Scatchard

**8:45 to 9:30 a.m.: Mastering Difficult Issues in Workers' Compensation
(panel discussion)**

Moderator: James Welsh, Esq., Payne, Welsh, & Klingensmith, PLLC

- ◆ When to employ a nurse case manager and what to expect
- ◆ Techniques in dealing with difficult claimants' lawyers
- ◆ The art of reserving a file from start to finish
- ◆ How to use surveillance effectively to reduce exposure and win claims
- ◆ The critical role of loss prevention in workers' compensation

Panel Members: Bill Abate, Holman Enterprises
Regina Lamptey, formerly of Verizon
Cindy Lawson, Kuehne & Nagel
Debra Howie, Catholic Health Initiatives

**9:30 to 10:15 a.m.: Issues in Pain Management and RSD
(panel discussion)**

Moderator: William D. Rimmer, Heckler & Frabizzio

- ◆ Moving the injured worker toward maximal medical improvement
- ◆ Avoiding pernicious addiction to narcotics
- ◆ Effective diagnosis and treatment of complex regional pain syndrome (RSD)
- ◆ Conservative vs. aggressive pain management and the role of NSAIDs versus narcotics
- ◆ Morphine pumps and spinal cord stimulators: benefits and detriments

Panel Members: Dr. Wilhemina Korevaar, Anesthesiologist
Dr. Steve Crawford, Meridian Occupational Health
Diana Alvarez, Hyatt Hotels & Resorts

10:15 to 11:00 a.m.: Morning Networking Session

11:00 a.m. to Noon: Proactive Claims Management and Employment Issues (panel discussion)

Moderator: Jane Stone, Esq., Stone, Loughlin & Swanson, LLMP

- ◆ Effective return to work and light duty programs
- ◆ Avoiding post-termination comp claims
- ◆ Obtaining labor releases and job termination as part of settlement
- ◆ Case histories of successful reasonable accommodation
- ◆ Maximizing the use of job descriptions in workers' comp cases

Panel Members: Dan Hebert, Esq., Charfoos, Reiter, Peterson,
Jones, Dorland & Hebert, P.C.
Marita Tortorelli, PMA Group
Karen Muscato, Bridgestone/Firestone
Dana Veronica, RN, Wegmans

Noon: Lunch Break

1:00 to 1:45 p.m.: The 2008 Amendments to the ADA and FMLA and their impact on workers' compensation (panel discussion)

Moderator: Ron Weiss, Esq., Hamberger & Weiss

- ◆ New provisions on sick leave and workers' comp
- ◆ Light duty and FMLA
- ◆ Leave as a reasonable accommodation under ADA
- ◆ Impact of broadened definition of disability under ADA
- ◆ Is everything we do a major life activity now?

Panel Members: John Geaney, Esq., Capehart Scatchard
Ross Ennis, National Freight, Inc.

1:45 to 2:30 p.m.: Best Practices: What do employers, TPAs, and carriers expect from defense counsel?

Moderator: Lora Northen, Esq., Capehart Scatchard

- ◆ Time lines for answering claims and preparing defense action plan
- ◆ Effective methods of communication among defense team
- ◆ Maximizing client involvement in discovery and defense strategy
- ◆ Proactive versus reactive lawyering
- ◆ The dreaded B-word: billing requirements and guidelines

Panel Members: Mark Hayes, Esq., Cumberland Farms
Rosemary Morrison, Aramark
Mark Hernandez, Starwood Hotels
Brenda Wyatt, ADP Total Source

2:30 to 3:15 p.m.: Afternoon Networking Session

3:15 to 4:00 p.m.: Around the horn: case scenarios addressed by member law firms

- ◆ Learn how to deal with complex comp issues in each state -- and have fun!
- ◆ Don't miss the prizes our hosts will be awarding!

Moderators: Albert B. Randall, Jr. Esq., Franklin & Prokopik
H. Dill Battle, III, Esq., Spilman, Thomas & Battle, PLLC.

4:00 to 5:45 p.m.: Cocktail Reception in outside lobby

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

We are awaiting final approval from the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. Please be advised that most states will accept and honor the credits obtained in New Jersey. There are two states, Florida and Massachusetts, that will not honor these credits. We are continuing to research this issue.

COCKTAIL RECEPTION INFORMATION

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525 Arch Street ❖ Philadelphia, PA 19106
(215) 409-6600

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SEMINAR FACILITY INFORMATION

Philadelphia, PA ❖ October 15, 2009
Hyatt Regency Philadelphia at Penns Landing
201 South Columbus Boulevard ❖ Philadelphia, PA 19106
(215) 928-1234

Registration and Continental Breakfast: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Seminar: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Lunch: 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. (INCLUDED)

Cocktail Reception: 4:00 to 5:45 p.m. (INCLUDED)

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SEMINAR ACCOMMODATIONS

Hyatt Regency Philadelphia at Penns Landing has accommodations available at a discounted rate. To book, please call the Hyatt at (215) 928-1234 and mention code NWCD or visit <http://pennslanding.hyatt.com/groupbooking/penrpnwcd2009>.

If you should need any special requirements, such as wheel chair access, please provide that information to us at least seven days prior to the seminar.

HOST FIRMS FOR COCKTAIL RECEPTION

New Jersey - Capehart Scatchard

Maryland, Virginia & Washington, D.C. -
Franklin & Prokopik

West Virginia - Spilman Thomas & Battle, PLLC

Western Pennsylvania - Payne, Welsh &
Klingensmith, PLLC

Delaware - Heckler & Frabizzio

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TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Should you need travel arrangements, please feel free to contact Maya at Chimera Travel via telephone at (856) 266-8898 or via email at maya@chimera-travel.com. You may also visit their website at www.chimera-travel.com.

REGISTRATION DETAILS

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c/o Carol Wright

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Capehart Scatchard

8000 Midlantic Drive, Suite 300 S
Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Registration: **FREE**

Seminar: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Registration: 7:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast, Lunch, and Cocktail Reception included

Are you a NWCDN member firm?: Y N

What NWCDN firm are you a friend of? (Please fill in firm name and city/state located in.) _____

1. Name _____

Title _____

Email _____ Phone No. _____

2. Name _____

Title _____

Email _____ Phone No. _____

3. Name _____

Title _____

Email _____ Phone No. _____

Company Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Fax _____

What member state(s) are you interested in speaking with?: _____

Would you like additional information from any particular member state?: Y N

Which state(s):

Will you be staying at the Hyatt?: Y N

Will you be attending the Cocktail Reception at the National Constitution Center?: Y N

Will you be attending the all-day seminar at the Hyatt?: Y N

Will you be attending the cocktail reception after the seminar at the Hyatt?: Y N